

**STATE OF VERMONT
GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD**

In re: Application of the University of Vermont)
Medical Center for the Purchase of a) GMCB-011-22con
da Vinci Xi Robotic Surgical System)
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ORDER AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED

On March 15, 2023, this Board issued a Certificate of Need (CON) in the above-captioned matter to the University of Vermont Medical Center (UVMMC). The CON authorized UVMMC to purchase and install a da Vinci Xi Robotic Surgical System in Operating Room 19 on UVMMC’s Main Campus. *In re: Application of the University of Vermont Medical Center, Certificate of Need*, Docket No. GMCB-011-22con (March 15, 2023), 1.

On April 3, 2023, UVMMC submitted a letter to the Green Mountain Care Board (GMCB) requesting approval of a non-material change to the CON. In that letter, UVMMC requested permission to spend additional funds on related equipment, specifically for a Trumpf 7000dV operating room table, an AirSeal insufflator (used to expand a patient’s peritoneal cavity to provide surgical access) with service agreement, and a FaceGuard dual-angle instrument tray. UVMMC stated that it had erroneously omitted these three pieces of equipment which are necessary to enhance safety and performance. Because two of the three quotes had expired and the third quote would soon expire, GMCB staff informed UVMMC that the request could not be considered until it submitted current vendor quotes for the additional equipment they wished to purchase.

On April 13, 2023, UVMMC submitted updated vendor quotes. The quote for the Trumpf 7000dV operating room table was \$100,704; the AirSeal insufflator with service agreement was \$43,391; and the FaceGuard dual-angle headshield/instrument tray was \$1,925. The total additional expense was \$146,019. The CON issued was for a total project cost of \$2,460,000. Therefore, UVMMC is requesting permission to spend an additional \$146,019 on related equipment as stated, which represents a 5.9% increase in the total project cost, from \$2,460,000 to \$2,606,019.19. Because the request to make additional expenditures on related equipment represents a 5.9% increase, which is less than the 10% or greater increase that would trigger a material change, the change requested change is non-material and does not require further review.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, we amend UVMMC’s CON to increase the total cost of the project from \$2,460,000 to \$2,606,019. All other requirements and obligations of the CON remain in effect and unchanged.

Dated May 1, 2023, at Montpelier, Vermont

s/ Owen Foster, Chair)
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s/ Jessica Holmes) GREEN MOUNTAIN
) CARE BOARD
s/ Robin Lunge) OF VERMONT
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s/ Thom Walsh)
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s/ David Murman)

Filed: May 1, 2023

Attest: s/ Jean Stetter, Administrative Services Director
Green Mountain Care Board

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